

STATE OF MAINE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION 16 STATE HOUSE STATION AUGUSTA, MAINE

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November 23, 2010 Subject: Callahan Mine Brooksville, Maine Pre Bid Meeting Questions DAVID A. COLE COMMISSIONER

Dear Sir/Ms:

The following question has been received:

Question: Before we commit to the project and the mandatory walk through, can you give us an estimate or budget for the project or a specific scope of work including the amount of tons to be removed and disposed? Are you expecting a \$500,000 project, \$1,000,000 project or \$10,000,000 project? Your cooperation on this matter is greatly appreciated.

Response: By state law, the engineer's estimate is unavailable. It is the responsibility of each bidder to provide a cost estimate that reflects work to be done and is fully responsive to the bid package. The bid package will be submitted prior to the Site Walk, it should be available by December 1, 2010. If you wish to review the design for Operable Unit 1 cleanup at the Callahan Mine, it is available at the EPA website for the Callahan Mine Superfund Site: www.epa.gov/ne/superfund/sites/callahan and select Final Basis of Design Report - OU 1, September 23, 2010 (5.52 MB).

Please be advised that while the Basis of Design Report contains the project requirements and specifications as of the completion of the design, changes to the project requirements and specifications may be identified in the bid package. All contractors should rely upon the information in the bid package for any cost estimate submitted for consideration. The bid package may also include an update of the areas to be excavated.

Please consider this information prior to attending the pre-Bid Meeting on December 8, 2010.

Sincerely.

Scott Bickford

Contracts & Specifications Engineer